

T. R. SAYS HE KEPT WINE IN WHITE HOUSE AS M'KINLEY DID

served as Governor until the end of my term, but before it ended, in the spring of 1900, I was nominated for Vice-President on the ticket with William McKinley and elected. I served as Vice-President from March, 1901, until Sept. 14, 1901, when President McKinley died from the effects of the bullet wound of the assassin Czolgosz. I served as President for the unexpired term of three years and a half and was nominated and elected as President in the fall of 1904.

"A little over a fortnight after leaving the Presidency on March 4, 1905, I went to Africa as head of the Smithsonian expedition. I came out at Charleston on March 15, 1910, and after a short trip through Europe returned to the United States toward the end of June, 1910. Since then I have lived continuously at Oyster Bay and have been connected with the Outlook.

"From 1883 to 1896 I spent considerable time on my cattle ranch on the Little Missouri, in the present State of North Dakota."

"Then came the meat of his evidence. He recalled Oct. 12, 1912. 'This was the day on which Editor Newett printed his alleged libel, charging that the Colonel "gets drunk, and that not infrequently, and all his intimates know it."

Roosevelt identified the copy of Iron Ore, Newett's paper, which contained the charge.

NEVER DRANK A COCKTAIL.

"I think I saw that first in Mercy Hospital," he said, "after I was shot. It may have been in Milwaukee the day I was shot."

"I have never drunk a cocktail or a highball in my life. With the exceptions hereafter noted I never drank whiskey or brandy except under the advice of a physician. I don't care for the taste of either."

"I don't smoke and I don't drink beer, because I dislike smoking and dislike the taste of beer. I never have drunk whiskey or brandy except when the doctor prescribed it, or possibly on some occasion after great exposure when I was chilled through. But it has been certainly fifteen or twenty years since I have drunk it because of being chilled through. I never drank beer, nor do I drink red wine. The only wines that I have drunk have been white wines, Madeira, champagne or, occasionally, a glass of port."

"At home I often at dinner will drink a wine glass or two wine glasses of Madeira. In summer, instead of Madeira, I will often drink a tall glass of white wine and Poland water, or 'poly' water. At public dinners I sometimes drink a glass of champagne, or perhaps two. I think that on the average this means that I will drink champagne about once a month."

MADE A DOZEN JULEPS A YEAR.

"The only exceptions to what I have stated about drinking whiskey and whisky are as follows:

"First juleps I very rarely drink. At the White House we had a minted, and I should think that on the average I may have drunk half a dozen mint juleps a year. Since I left the White House four years ago, to the best of my memory, I have drunk mint juleps twice; on one occasion at the Country Club at St. Louis, where I drank part of a glass of mint julep, and on another occasion at a big luncheon given me at Little Rock, Ark., where they passed round the table a loving cup with the mint julep in it and I drank when the cup was passed to me. The only other occasions which I have drunk whiskey have been when it was prescribed by the doctor."

"During the last fourteen years I do not believe I have drunk whiskey straight or with water more than half a dozen times. On the African trip the expedition took along a case of champagne, a case of whiskey and one bottle of brandy. The bottle of brandy was taken for me because I do not drink whiskey. Some of the other members of the party drank whiskey. The champagne was used medicinally for three members of the party who were down with fever and dysentery and for two or three travellers, hunters and missionaries who were sick."

"I never touched either the whiskey or the champagne. On the African trip, bottle I drank exactly seven ounces, this being given me by Dr. Lambart on two occasions when I had fever. The last time I told him I disliked it so that I did not think it did me any good. He then gave me a glass of brandy. Accordingly I took tea and brandy and the rest of the brandy over to Mr. R. J. Cunningham, who was managing the expedition."

"Eight months later, when we reached Khartoum, he asked me what he should do with it, saying that from curiosity he had measured it and that I had drunk just seven ounces in eleven months."

WHAT HE DRINKS ON CAMPAIGN TRIPS.

"As for brandy, I never drink it any more than I do whiskey when I am alone or at home or on a hunting trip or in a friend's house. But on very hard campaign trips, on the advice of Surgeon-General Rixey and Dr. Lambart, I have frequently, just before going to bed at night, drunk either one or two goblets of milk, with a teaspoonful of brandy to the goblet. If there is more than the teaspoonful I dislike the taste and don't drink it."

"I frequently drink milk at some meal during the day, usually at lunch. The whisky which was used in Africa was never in my own possession and I only took it when given to me by the doctor. I do not even carry a flask of brandy or whiskey with me. I used to carry it on my hunting trips, but I don't use it so rarely that it was a nuisance and might get broken, and I have been some twenty years since I carried one."

"My ranch we never had whiskey. I never made a practice of drinking and I don't believe that I have ever drunk at a bar for twenty years. I do not believe I have been inside a saloon during that time. I do not drink between meals, or except as described."

"On campaign trips I drink nothing until, as said, I go to bed, when I take a glass of perhaps two goblets of milk with a teaspoonful of brandy to the goblet. It rests my throat and makes me sleep well. On almost every campaign trip there will be some occasion on which I stop at a friend's house, where I will drink a glass of wine, or there will be some public dinner when I will drink a glass of white wine or a glass of champagne."

TWO EXCEPTIONS IN OHIO CAMPAIGN.

"On the Ohio campaign last year during the nine days I touched nothing but milk on seven of the days excepting at night, as above mentioned, when I took a drop of brandy or a drop of any kind until I was undressed. The only two days were the occasions when I spoke at Toledo and the occasion when I spoke at Cleveland."

"After the speech, Mr. Corfield, Mr. Post and I went to the house of Mr. Corfield, where we met Mayor and Mrs. Bragg Whitlock, and on the way to the dining room to take a little supper. There was some champagne and I got took a glass of champagne, and I then found that there was a number of milk and doughnuts, and I took the milk and doughnuts instead."

"On the afternoon of the day I went to Cleveland I stopped at Ravenna at the house of Mr. Hanna. There I had a pot of tea, and at dinner I believe, but am not certain, that I took a glass of champagne."

"After I returned to the car in the evening, having made various speeches, I am often thirsty and take a bottle of Apollinaris water or Poland water, with a glass of crushed ice, but I drink no liquor of any kind and never have drunk any liquor of any kind in the car since I have been elected."

"For instance, take the day I spoke at Duluth last year. In the morning I reached Superior and spoke there. We went over to Duluth and took lunch, then being no liquor at lunch. I then dictated the two speeches I intended to make at Duluth and Chicago, then went for an automobile ride and afterward took lunch."

"Two spoonfuls of brandy at Duluth."

"The dinner was served at dinner and I did not drink a drop of wine or brandy of any kind during the day. I stopped and spoke a few sentences to a number of people at their request and repeated request. I then made two speeches in the evening. I went back to the car, got a bottle of Apollinaris water and a glass with ice in it, but without any liquor of any kind, and drank the Apollinaris water. When I went to bed I took two spoonfuls of brandy in milk and that was the only drop of liquor I touched that day. I was in Duluth only that day."

"While at the White House I never touched brandy or whiskey excepting the small glasses mentioned and possibly on two or three occasions when Dr. Lambart prescribed a drink of whiskey—once, if I remember aright, for an acute attack of indigestion, and once when he and I had made a hundred-mile ride through and back in through a snowstorm, and he gave me some whiskey, but I don't think that after taking a sip I would not take any more and refuse to take it."

"Some of these prescriptions of Dr. Lambart we usually had at lunch. Some white wine if there were guests. Unless there were guests, I drank nothing at lunch, and often I drank nothing if there were guests. At my own house I drank nothing, if we had guests we usually had white wine, but sometimes Madeira, and at formal dinners we had champagne, of which I would drink a glass or two."

What Roosevelt Drinks; What He Won't Touch

"I don't drink beer because I dislike the taste of it."

"I never have drunk brandy or whiskey except when the doctor prescribed it, or on occasions of exposure."

"I don't drink red wine."

"I drink white wines, Madeira, champagne or cherry-champagne at public dinners about once a month."

"Mint juleps rarely—in the White House we had a minted. I have drunk half a dozen juleps a year."

"Had only six whiskeys straight or with water in fourteen years."

"I never drank a cocktail or highball in my life."

"At home I often at dinner will drink a wine glass or two wine glasses of Madeira."

"In summer I will drink a tall glass of white wine and Poland water."

"On the African trip we took along a case of champagne, a case of whiskey and a bottle of brandy. I never touched the whiskey or champagne. Drank seven ounces of brandy. The champagne was used medicinally by missionaries and others who were sick."

"I frequently drink milk at some meal during the day, usually at lunch."

"I never made a practice of drinking at a bar."

"In Toledo, we went to the house of Mr. and Mrs. Shoppey, where we met Mayor Brand Whitlock. There was champagne and I first took a glass, but then took MILK AND DOUGHNUTS instead."

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"While at Washington almost all the entertainments were at the White House itself, but each member of the Cabinet gave a dinner, and I believe there was always champagne at these dinners, and I drank a glass or two precisely as at the White House."

WHEN HE DINED WITH UNCLE JOE.

"I also on perhaps a half-dozen occasions went out, for instance, to the Grignon Club dinner, or to the reception on Speaker Cannon's seventeenth birthday, or to a dinner of the New York delegation in Congress. On these occasions I drank precisely as in the White House."

"On the occasion of Mr. Cannon's evening reception I went in company with Mr. Rixey and with James S. Smith, a Secret Service man. The occasion was in the evening. We left the White House shortly after nine and returned a little after twelve. Mr. Loeb coming back with me and Sione seeing us to the carriage when I left."

"On such occasions Mr. Loeb frequently stayed, and we did some work in the study after our return to the White House. On all public occasions Mr. Loeb went with me and also two Secret Service men."

"On the Cannon occasion I remember instances of these men as Mr. Sione. It was the duty of the Secret Service men to go with me and to see me safely back to the White House, but on this occasion, as Sione was in Cannon's district and had a number of friends there, he did not come back with me, but said goodbye at the carriage and returned to the gathering. Mr. Loeb, however, returned to the White House. I was with Mr. Newberry, Mr. Cortislow and others while there."

"Whether on this occasion or on any other occasion did I take a glass of whiskey or brandy in any form. On this occasion I took a sandwich and glass of champagne which I drank standing up, proposing the health of the speaker on his seventeenth birthday."

"No man who knew me ever asked me to take any whiskey, because they knew that under no circumstances did I take it, and no man on this occasion ever proposed to me to take whiskey. Neither while in the White House nor at any other time have I ever drunk or taken any kind of liquor between meals except as described, and in the White House I not only did not drink whiskey or brandy but I did not know where any whiskey or brandy was."

NEVER TOOK A DRINK BEFORE BEING SHAVED.

"Unless I shaved myself I was always shaved by Delaney in the room between my room and Mr. Loeb's immediately before lunch, and never on any occasion during the time that I was in the White House did I touch a drop of anything during the day prior to being shaved."

"The routine at the White House was as follows: We had breakfast at 8 or 8.30, Mr. Roosevelt, the children and myself. After breakfast, if the weather was good, Mrs. Roosevelt and I walked around the White House grounds for twenty minutes or a half hour. I then came over to the White House offices and as soon as I reached there Mr. Loeb came in with the mail and papers to sign."

"After about half an hour of this the Senators and Congressmen would begin to arrive. If it was an ordinary day they would generally continue to arrive until 11 or 12, but if it was a Cabinet day they would stop at 11 o'clock."

"At 11 o'clock when I went in to get shaved, I would usually get Mr. Loeb in and dictate to him, or he would take up with me the mail that had accumulated during the morning, and would receive directions about the various things that had arisen during the morning. I would also frequently see some member of the Cabinet or some man I knew intimately during that time, or some newspaper man would be allowed to come in to ask questions. Mr. Loeb generally sitting by and waiting until the answer had been given and then resuming work."

"After Mr. Loeb would follow me out to the wash room and continue talking with me, and getting directions and laying matters before me while I washed my hands. I would then go to lunch. Immediately after lunch I would return to the office. I might then again work with Mr. Loeb for an hour or some member of the Cabinet or other person with whom I had to talk over details of official business."

NEVER LEFT ROOM TO GET A DRINK.

"I never in my life, while in the White House or anywhere else, have ever left a room for the purpose of getting a drink between meals, and I would have been a shameful responsibility for me to have left the room for any such purpose at any point of my work in the White House."

"On the 17th and 18th of February last I was staying in New York with Mrs. Roosevelt and my daughter at the Marquis Hotel, No. 13 East Thirty-first street. To the best of my knowledge and belief there is no bar in the hotel."

"Mrs. Roosevelt and my daughter and I had breakfast served in our apartment at about 8. Immediately afterward on both days I walked down Madison avenue to Twenty-third street, across to Fourth avenue and into the Outlook office, doing work and seeing various people until about 8.30 the first day and until 5 the next day, going out for a few minutes for lunch."

"When I left the office on Monday I walked up Fourth avenue to Thirty-first street and across to the Marquis Hotel, where I had tea with Mrs. Roosevelt. On Tuesday I left at 5 o'clock and took the 8.30 train from the Pennsylvania depot for Oyster Bay. On neither day did I touch a drop of anything at any time. When in town I usually but not always lunched with some members of the Outlook staff, and during the three years which I have on an average of once or twice lunched with any one I do not recall an instance where I ever drank anything except either milk, tea or coffee. On these days I never went up Fifth avenue nor above Thirty-second street."

HIS FEW VISITS TO WALDORF.

"I have not been in the Waldorf unless at a public dinner for certainly three years, and I was not in the Waldorf on either of those two days. On neither of those two days did I go into or come out of any building in Forty-second street, and on neither of those two days did I go above Thirty-first or Thirty-second streets on Fifth avenue. Between 4 and 6 o'clock the avenue is densely crowded."

"For the last fifteen years I can give you in detail just about what I have drunk, and I have given it substantially above, and neither during those fifteen years or since I have been of age have I ever taken any circumstances been in over the smallest degree under the influence of liquor."

"I do not remember within the last dozen years drinking even a part of a glass of beer except once. That was at the Deutscher Club. Whenever I go to Milwaukee I try to go to the Deutscher Club for a call."

"At their request, I think in 1908, I drank a mouthful of beer. They offered me beer, and I asked if they could get me some white wine, saying I never drank beer. They asked me if I would not take a mouthful anyway, because they said it was the beer that made Milwaukee famous. So I took a mouthful and then took white wine. Then they all sang songs, but there was only one song in which I could join."

"While I was Governor, and always, my habits in using wine and champagne have been precisely as stated."

CROSS-EXAMINATION OF COLONEL.

The cross examination of the Colonel occupied twenty minutes. It was conducted by Horace Andrews of the defense as follows:

Q. You have never lived in the State of Michigan? A. No.

Q. Outside of a flying trip made through the State of Michigan you have never been in the State during the last years? A. I have never been in the State of Michigan within the last eight or ten years except upon the flying trip I made.

Q. I would be correct in saying that you have not been within the State of Michigan within the last fifteen years? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Your acquaintance is somewhat limited in Michigan? A. It is limited.

Q. Do you know Mr. George Shiras? A. I know Mr. Shiras.

Q. Do you know that Mr. Shiras is not a resident of Marquette? A. I have heard that he does not live here regularly.

Q. It was in Washington that you met Mr. Shiras? A. Yes, when he was in Congress.

Q. Since you came back from Africa you have been connected with The Outlook at New York? A. I have.

Q. You have connected some in politics? A. And in politics also.

Q. Now, your acquaintance while you were in the city of Washington and possibly at Albany was with political men? A. Not many were political men. A great many were writers of history and naturalists.

Q. You have many friends in Congress, have you not? A. I have known almost every Senator.

Q. You know also a great many Congressmen and received a great many Congressmen at the White House, and they invited you to their residences? A. I received a great many Congressmen, but they rarely invited me to their residences.

Q. Did I understand you to say you have never taken anything in the way of intoxicating liquors? A. You did not so understand me; you understood me to say that I did so only in small quantities.

Q. The only spirituous or intoxicating liquors you took in general would be a little brandy with milk? A. A teaspoonful in a tumbler full of milk.

Q. You have never for fifteen years taken more than a dozen glasses of whiskey? A. I did not drink a dozen glasses of whiskey in fifteen years.

Q. Now, the wine you drink is light wine? A. Yes, sir.

Q. What do you mean by light wine? A. I mean white wine, and sometimes it may be a little Madeira.

Q. Any other kind of wine? A. I may have drunk a little red wine, and occasionally a little sherry.

Q. You don't keep any wine of any kind in your house? A. Red wine.

Q. Do you keep wine of any kind in your house? A. Yes.

SAYS HE KEPT WINE IN WHITE HOUSE.

"Did you keep brandy and wine in the White House?" was asked.

Mr. Pound—I object to that.

The Court—You may note an exception.

Roosevelt—I continued to keep wine as I found that my predecessor, Mr. McKinley, had done so.

Q. Did you drink whiskey or have you drunk whiskey on your trips. A. No, except as I have described, a teaspoonful in a glass of milk.

CARRIED NO WHISKEY ON TRIPS.

Q. Did you carry a flask of whiskey or brandy with you on your trips? A. I did not.

Q. Do you know Mr. Wallace of Detroit? A. Yes, sir.

Q. What is his business? A. I don't know.

Q. Had he anything to do with the beginning of this suit, if you know? A. That I cannot tell.

Q. Don't you know what became of this important suit? A. I was in Mercy Hospital, Chicago, at the time.

Q. Did you know that Mr. Wallace had charge of it and did you know that he had charge of employing counsel? A. That I could not say.

Q. Had you met Mr. Pound up to that time? A. I may have met him.

Q. But have you any memory of it? A. I don't remember whether I met him or not.

Q. Was Mr. Pound employed by you, that is employed by you personally? A. No, he was not employed by me personally.

Q. Do you know who paid the expense of taking testimony and all that? Did you stand that expense? A. Yes.

Q. And it has not been borne by any organization in the State of Michigan? A. It has not.

Q. Have you or any other person had charge of it? A. Mr. Pound has had charge of it.

Mr. Andrews—I think that is all.

EXAMINED AGAIN BY POUND.

Mr. Pound on redirect examination asked:

Q. As I understand it, you have no recollection of having seen Mr. Pound in Michigan or Chicago prior to the beginning of this suit, which was some time in the month of October? A. I have no recollection.

"As a matter of fact you communicated with Mr. Pound by letter as soon as you were sufficiently free to do so?"

Objected to as leading by Mr. Andrews.

"I assume complete responsibility," said the Colonel. "No organization has any responsibility excepting myself. I have it all."

"You have hired your attorneys and stood all the expense in regard to this case?"

Mr. Andrews objected to question as leading.

The Court—it seems to me the question is leading.

This concluded the examination. Mr. Roosevelt was on the stand one hour and forty minutes.

Henry Baughman, city assessor of Indianapolis, was the next witness. He is a professor of medicine at Cornell.

"I have been particularly interested in the treatment of alcoholism and the drug habit," said he. "Ten years ago I had reached and treated 30,000 patients of that character and since then I suppose 10,000 more."

Then Dr. Lambert told of professional treatment of Roosevelt.

"The last time I treated him was in Chicago at the time he was shot," said Dr. Lambert. "Since then he has not been ill. His quick recovery then was due to his splendid, unpoisoned physique."

Dr. Lambert described the Colonel as "an exceedingly temperate man, an unusually abstinent man." He never had detected traces of drink, not even an alcoholic breath on Roosevelt, he said, in their twenty-two years' acquaintance.

He told of a series of hunting trips with the Colonel. Roosevelt took no liquor at all on two of them, and on a

third once, as a medical prescription and again at a dinner.

"What was his condition as to liquor on your trips with him?" asked Mr. Pound.

"He was absolutely empty of it," responded Lambert. "I examined his heart, his liver and his wound at Chicago after he was shot. He needed no medicine. He had the absolutely calm nervous system of a temperate man. His organs were in perfect condition, as they would not have been were he accustomed to use alcohol in excess."

On cross-examination Attorney Andrews asked about a meeting of Roosevelt's friends in the Outlook Office to prepare for the case.

"I only know about myself," snapped Lambert.

Andrews asked only a few questions bearing on the doctor's personal interest in the case, as the Colonel's friend.

Former Surgeon-General Rixey of the United States Navy followed Lambert on the stand.

"I am a farmer now," Dr. Rixey said. "I retired as Surgeon-General in 1910."

SAYS HE SAW T. R. EVERY MORNING AND NIGHT.

Dr. Rixey testified that throughout Roosevelt's term as President he saw the Colonel each morning and night as part of his duty as Surgeon-General and travelled with him habitually.

"I never saw Roosevelt under the influence of liquor in my life," he said. "He was a moderate drinker, as a man could well be without being a teetotaler."

Dr. Rixey declared that Roosevelt's custom as to serving of drinks at White House dinners did not vary from that of his predecessor.

"Have you seen him affected by liquor or wine taken at White House dinners?" asked Attorney Pound.

"I never have," said Rixey.

Q. Can you state, as a physician, from your examination of the plaintiff in this case what kind of a man as to being temperate otherwise, you have found Mr. Roosevelt to be? A. I have examined him thoroughly and I have found him an absolutely temperate man. He is in a fair physical condition now, but not as good as when he was in the White House. He rode horseback every day, nearly. On one trip he rode fifty miles and back the same day.

"Could a man make that ride if he used alcohol constantly?" asked Judge Flannigan.

"I would not say he could not," said Dr. Rixey, "but if he could, it certainly would injure him."

On cross-examination Dr. Rixey told Attorney Andrews a man might drink without visible evidence of it a week later.

JURYMEN ARE TYPES OF KIND COLONEL LIKES.

The twelve men who are to decide whether Col. Roosevelt is a swearer, liar and drunkard, to such an extent that all his intimate friends know it, are after Mr. Roosevelt's own heart. Each is a brave, hardy, broad-shouldered, robust-looking fellow of (all and some his breed by the sweat of his brow).

Swedes and Irish predominate up in this rugged country. There are men of both races on the Roosevelt jury, with a Scotchman, couple of Germans and a French-Canadian as well. 85 several branches of the Colonel's ancestry, as he has described it in different parts of the country, are represented in the jury box.

The average age of the jury is thirty-five years. Andrew P. Johnson, a miner of Humboldt, sixty years old and still strong and able to take nourishment three times a day or often, is the patriarch of the twelve. Joseph R. Patterson, an Indianapolis, the home town of defendant Newett, is the youngest, he having survived but twenty-five years of the climate prevalent in these parts.

There are four miners, three teamsters, two farmers, one lumber boss, one railroad fireman and one country blacksmith on the Roosevelt jury. Much to the regret of the Colonel's friends there are no cowboys in this county.

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